

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, December 1, 1998 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe were absent but left written votes.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Martin Jacobson, Scott Fabel

(587) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Northwest Payphone v. PSC & USWC - Docket D96.12.220; Commissioner Anderson moved to close the meeting under the litigation exemption. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 2 to 1. Commissioners Fisher and Anderson voted aye. Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe did not leave votes on this issue. Commissioner Oberg dissented.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Bonnie Lorang

(588) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USWC's Custom Choice and the Commission's inquiry of it - Docket D98.10.243; Commissioner Oberg moved to direct staff to draft an order per Commission direction addressing USWC's Custom Choice tariff. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3-0. Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe did not leave votes on this issue.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Bonnie Lorang

(589) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USWC Custom Choice and permanent tariffs - Docket N98.10.239 and N98.11.262; Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the tariffs on a permanent basis. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson cast Commissioner McCaffree's proxy aye. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Will Rosquist

(590) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Energy West Resources Electric Supplier Application - Docket N98.11.265; Commissioner Anderson moved to grant the license in full. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners McCaffree and Rowe left written votes aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, December 3, 1998 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Dan Elliott, Eric Eck, Will Rosquist

(591) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Investigation of the Sale and Transfer of PacifiCorp Distribution System and Public Utility Obligations to Flathead Electric Cooperative, Inc. and various pending motions for reconsideration - Docket D98.10.218; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant reconsideration and initiate another phase of this docket under contested case procedures to determine an equitable and proper distribution and allocation of net gain and direct staff to call an attorney's conference. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Mike Lee

(592) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of a complaint filed by AT&T and Sprint against USWC concerning the reasonableness of USWC's access charges and USWC's motion to dismiss said complaint - Docket D98.6.142; Commissioner Rowe moved to deem USWC's motion as an answer to consideration of the docket. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel

(593) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Southern Montana Carrier Access Charge

Increase and a stipulation entered into between USWC and Southern Montana -
Docket D97.11.225;
Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the final order approving the stipulation.
Commissioner
Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Mike Lee, Scott Fabel

(594) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USWC's 271 Application -
Docket D97.5.87;
Commissioner Rowe moved to grant AT&T motion's, instruct answers by 12/11.
Commissioner
Anderson seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Oberg was not
present during this
vote and therefore did not vote.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held
at the Commission's
Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, December 7, 1998, the following members
were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson is on vacation but left votes with the Commission
Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(595) In the matter of MILLER OIL CO - Docket N98.10.253; On October 19, 1998
Miller Oil Co.
filed for Commission approval of new tariffs reflecting rules covering charges
for utility customer

services. These services range from returned check charges to reconnection fees. The existing rates will remain the same. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the new tariff. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

(596) In the matter of ESSEN COMMUNICATIONS/US WEST - Docket D98.10.254; On October 27, 1998, U S WEST Communications, Inc. and Essen Communications Corporation filed a resale agreement for approval pursuant to § 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The resale agreement is substantially similar to other recent agreements filed and approved by the Commission and is consistent with Commission requirements. Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the resale agreement. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(597) In the matter of TN1964; Greyhound Lines, Inc., Dallas, Texas requests permission to continue to self insure for the first 1.5 million in losses for both cargo and liability. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the self insurance request. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on December 8, 1998 the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson left written votes and proxy to Commissioner Oberg.
Commissioner Rowe left written votes.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Joel Tierney

(598) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Havre Pipeline Co. -
Docket D98.6.127;

Commissioner Oberg moved to issue the protective order with certain
restrictions and deny Montana
Power Trading Company's motion to compel and restrict MPTM's discovery solely
to transmission
cost issues. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed
unanimously.
Commissioner Oberg cast Commissioner Anderson's proxy aye.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Jay Driscoll

(599) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Clark Fork and Northern
Telephone

Cooperative's motion for waiver - Docket D98.10.233 and D98.10.229;
Commissioner McCaffree
moved to grant the waiver requested for delayed filing by Clark Fork and
Northern Telephone
Cooperatives. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed
unanimously. Commissioners
Anderson and Rowe left written votes aye.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Jay Driscoll

(600) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Southern Montana
Telephone Company's

Implementation of 1+ IntraLATA Dialing Parity - Docket D98.10.233;
Commissioner Oberg moved
to issue the Final Order approving SMTC intraLATA dialing parity
implementation plan.
Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
Commissioners Anderson
and Rowe left written votes aye.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Kate Whitney, Bonnie Lorang, Wendy Fuller, Jay Driscoll, Scott
Fabel

(601) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West's 271 Filing-
Docket D97.5.87;

Commissioner McCaffree moved to deny US West's motion for reconsideration of a
previous discovery
ruling by the Commission. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which
passed unanimously.
Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye. Commissioner Anderson left proxy
with Commissioner
Rowe, and since Commissioner Rowe voted aye, Chairman Fisher rules
Commissioner Anderson's
vote also cast as "aye".

(602) Commissioner Oberg moved to deny AT&T objection to Special Master
Decision No. 2 but

issue a clarification. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which
passed unanimously.
Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye. Commissioner Anderson left proxy
with Commissioner
Rowe, and since Commissioner Rowe voted aye, Chairman Fisher rules
Commissioner Anderson's

vote also cast as "aye".

APPEARANCE

Bonnie Lorang

(603) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana Universal Program - Docket N98.1.4; Commissioner McCaffree moved to waive the filing deadline in PSC Rule 38.5.3006(2) regarding application for funding and allow applications to be made until April 1, 1999. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe left written votes aye.

APPEARANCE

Kate Whitney, Tina Shorten

(604) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Discount Plus Complaint - Docket N98.12.280; Commissioner Oberg moved to issue an order to Discount Plus regarding its collection efforts, back billing, slamming and related complaints and to explore possibility of civil action in Cascade County or other punitive measures for such practices. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe left written votes aye.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(605) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MPC's LTQF filing - Docket D98.8.183; Commissioner McCaffree moved to issue the final order. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye. Commissioner Anderson did not vote on this issue.

APPEARANCE

Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(606) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mountain Energy's request for licensure as an electric supplier - Docket N98.11.276; Commissioner Oberg moved to grant a limited license. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe left written votes aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, December 14, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioners Anderson and Rowe were absent but left votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(607) In the matter of Sprint Communications Company - Docket N98.11.277, On November 27, 1998, Sprint filed tariff pages to make minimal text changes; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the text changes. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

(608) In the matter of WorldCom - Docket N98.12.279, On December 1, 1998, WorldCom Technologies filed tariff revisions to their Montana Price List Tariff. Requiring Commission action is a revision to the discount schedule for Metro Frame Relay Service. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the tariff revisions. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(609) In the matter of TN 1965 - Karst Stage, Inc., Bozeman, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9403 to Cutrubus Sparks Ventures, LLC dba Classic Limo, Bozeman, Montana for a one year period, December 31, 1998 to December 31, 1999.

SUB D Class B - Persons and personal baggage to be chauffeured in limousines, between all points and places in the following counties: Gallatin, Park and Madison. Limitations: 1) The transportation of more than twelve (12) passengers per vehicle is prohibited. 2) Solicitation of individual fares is prohibited. 3) Service as a taxi or cab is prohibited.

Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the continuation of the lease for one

year. Commissioner
Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson
and Rowe voted
aye.

APPEARANCE
Laura Calkin
Centralized Services

(610) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for September,
October and November
1998; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the
months of
September, October and November 1998 . Commissioner Oberg seconded the
motion, which passed
unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held
at the Commission's
Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, December 14, 1998 the following members
were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not leave votes.
Commissioner Rowe was absent and left written votes.

APPEARANCE
Karen Hammel, Jay Driscoll

(611) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West IntraLATA
Dialing Parity Plan -
Docket D98.4.86 - Order 6063c; Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the second
order on revised
dialing Parity Plan detailing the implementation plan for US West to begin 1+
intraLATA dialing
parity. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
Commissioner
Rowe left written vote aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was

adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, December 15, 1998, following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not leave votes.
Commissioner Rowe was absent and left written votes.

APPEARANCE
Karen Hammel, Jay Driscoll

(612) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of AT&T's bona fide requests to various telephone companies - Docket D98.10.220; Commissioner Oberg moved to issue a notice of commission action in D98.10.225, D98.10.235, D98.10.228 and D98.10.227, waiving the rules, suspending further action until file implementation plans and to treat the requests from AT&T as requests for negotiation pursuant to § 251 of 1996 Act. Also direct staff to issue letters for Chair's signature in D98.10.224 and D98.10.232 (Hot Springs and Ronan Telephone Co.). Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(613) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MDU/Cenex transportation service contract - Docket D98.11.274; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the issuance of a protective order. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(614) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of pipeline safety rules -
Docket L-98.10.4-RUL;
Commissioner McCaffree moved to adopt the update of pipeline safety rules.
Commissioner Oberg
seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe left
written vote aye.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Jay Driscoll

(615) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West's Custom Choice
- Docket
D98.10.243; Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the final order. Commissioner
Fisher seconded
the motion, which passed with a vote of 3-1. Commissioners Fisher and Oberg
voted aye.
Commissioner Rowe left written vote aye. Commissioner McCaffree dissented.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held
at the Commission's
Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, December 17, 1998 the following
members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not leave votes.
Commissioner Rowe was absent but left written vote.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(616) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Helena vs. PSC;
Commissioner McCaffree
moved to stay enforcement of Class D regulation against City of Helena.
Commissioner Oberg
seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe voted
aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Friday, December 18, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent and did not leave votes.
Commissioner Rowe was absent but left written vote.

APPEARANCE
Denise Peterson

(617) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of PacifiCorp's sale of its Montana properties and motions for reconsideration - Docket D98.10.218; Commissioner Oberg moved to approve the order on reconsideration establishing a contested case procedure. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Monday, December 21, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice Chair
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Rowe Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Dan Elliott, Administrator
Utility Division

(618) In the matter of CITIZENS UTILITIES - Docket D98.12.286; On December 7, 1998, Citizens filed an application proposing to transfer all of the Communications Business Sector's stock and ownership control of the Communications subsidiaries to a new holding company, Citizens Newco Company. Citizens represents that the proposed transaction will not adversely affect the quality of service, rates or reliability of service of the Montana Local Exchange Company. The local exchange rates charged by CTC-Montana will not change. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the transfer. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Oberg moved to close all four dockets with one motion. Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Oberg moved to close all four dockets with one motion (618)-(621). Commissioner McCaffree seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(619) In the matter of CITIZENS 1+ DIALING PARITY - Docket D98.10.222; On October 2, 1998, AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. filed a letter evidencing its "bona fide request" to Citizens Communications to implement 1+ intraLATA dialing parity by means of the 2-PIC method. Citizens implemented intraLATA dialing parity in 1996. AT&T has withdrawn its request and no further Commission action is necessary or appropriate. A draft order closing the docket has been prepared.

(620) In the matter of CENTURY 1+ DIALING PARITY - Docket D98.10.221; On October 2, 1998, AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. filed a letter evidencing its "bona fide request" to CenturyTel to implement 1+ intraLATA dialing parity by means of the 2-PIC method. CenturyTel implemented intraLATA dialing parity several years ago by the 1-PIC method. AT&T has withdrawn its request and no further Commission action is necessary or

appropriate. A draft order closing the docket has been prepared.

(621) In the matter of 3 RIVERS 1+ DIALING PARITY - Docket D98.10.234; On October 2, 1998, AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. filed a letter evidencing its "bona fide request" to 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative to implement 1+ intraLATA dialing parity by means of the 2-PIC method. 3 Rivers implemented intraLATA dialing parity in August of 1998. No further Commission action is necessary or appropriate. A draft order closing the docket has been prepared.

(622) In the matter of RANGE 1+ DIALING PARITY - Docket D98.10.231; On October 2, 1998, AT&T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. filed a letter evidencing its "bona fide request" to Range Telephone Cooperative to implement 1+ intraLATA dialing parity by means of the 2-PIC method. Range implemented intraLATA dialing parity on December 16, 1997. AT&T has withdrawn its request and no further Commission action is necessary or appropriate. A draft order closing the docket has been prepared.

(623) In the matter of U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.12.283; On December 3, 1998, U S West Communications filed Tariff Transmittal 98-AC05 "SCD Revision", to their Montana Access Tariff. This filing is to eliminate the per line charge rate element for Selective Carrier Denial charges to Carriers. This was a notice item on 12/14/98. Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the tariff revision. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(624) In the matter of T-98.62.RI; On November 17, 1998 Montana Tariff Bureau, Agent, for and on behalf of Two Shews, Inc. dba Billings Yellow Cab, Billings, Montana and Foosco, Inc. dba City Cab, Billings, Montana, in Passenger Tariff No. 3, filed a proposed rate increase of between six (6) percent and thirteen (13) percent, applying on the transportation of passengers in and around Billings, Montana. The proposed rate increase was noticed on November 23, 1998, with a protest date of December 14, 1998 and an effective date of January 1, 1999. A protest was received on December 1, 1998. The proposed rate increase requires suspension. Commissioner McCaffree moved to suspend the rate increase. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Laura Calkin
Centralized Services

(625) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes of December 7 and December 14, 1998; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the weeks of December 7 and December 14, 1998. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed

unanimously.

(626) In the matter of the approval of the Commission calendar for the months of February 1999; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the Commission calendar for the month of February 1999 with the notes changes. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, December 22, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Nancy McCaffree, Vice-Chair
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Jay Driscoll

(627) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MDU request to deviate from Rate 82 price for Cenex - Docket D98.11.274; Commissioner McCaffree moved to approve the tariff filing in an order with certain limitations. Commissioner Oberg seconded the motion, which passed with unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel

(628) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West's 271 Filing and pending motions - Docket D97.5.87; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve withdrawal of Uda law firm from docket. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0-1. Commissioners Fisher, McCaffree, Anderson and Rowe voted aye. Commissioner Oberg abstained.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel

(629) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of US West's 271 filing -
Docket D97.5.87;
Commissioner Anderson moved to summarily deny US West's motion to compel.
Commissioner Rowe
seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0-1. Commissioners Fisher,
McCaffree, Anderson
and Rowe voted aye. Commissioner Oberg abstained.

APPEARANCE

Karen Hammel, Bonnie Lorang

(630) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Universal Service - FCC
Docket DA 98-2410;
Commissioner Rowe moved to file or sign on with comments of the High Cost
States. Commissioner
Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Martin Jacobson, Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(631) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of USBC charges and CI-75
affects - Docket
D97.7.90; Commissioner Anderson moved to direct staff to prepare an order
implementing a 2.4%
USBC tariff for MPC electric utility. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion,
which passed with
unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(632) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Columbia Heights Water
Company - Docket
D98.10.246; Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the draft order subject to
editing. Commissioner
Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was
adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice-Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, December 22, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

Commissioner McCaffree was absent and did not leave votes on these issues.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(633) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Duke Solutions Electric Licensure application - Docket D98.12.287; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant limited electric supplier license. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with unanimously. Vote was left open for Commissioner McCaffree. Upon her return she voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Denise Peterson, Will Rosquist

(634) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Commercial Energy - Docket N98.9.210; Commissioner Oberg moved to waive ARM and accept a guarantee agreement in its stead and grant full supplier license. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed with unanimously. Vote was left open for Commissioner McCaffree. Upon her return she voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice-Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, December 23, 1998, the following members were present:

Dave Fisher, Chairman
Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

Commissioner McCaffree was absent, but left her vote with Commission Secretary

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Denise Peterson, Martin Jacobson

(635) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the implementation of electric restructuring for MPC under SB 390 - Docket D97.7.90; Commissioner Anderson moved to approve Order No. 5986f implementing universal system benefits charge. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed with unanimously. Commissioner McCaffree voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

DAVE FISHER, Chairman

NANCY McCAFFREE, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, December 23, 1998, the following members were present:

Danny Oberg, Commissioner
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

Chairman Fisher and Commissioner McCaffree were absent and did not leave votes on this issue.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Wendy Fuller

(636) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Great Falls Gas Company's restructuring - Docket D98.3.68; Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the final order. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3-0.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

(SEAL